



YOUR COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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A NEW YOU IN '22?

Have you made a New Year's resolution to get fit this year? Studies have shown that people tend to keep their New Year's resolution for around one month. Why not buck this trend by joining one (or more) of our weekly fitness/health groups?

Our Weights and Balance Class is led by Jan who can tailor a program especially suited to you, or, if you like to move and grove it a bit, then Zumba Gold led by Monica might be your style.

If the great outdoors is more your thing, then the Leopold Adventure Walking Group, co-ordinated by Linda, could be just what the Doctor ordered!

All groups are conducted in accordance with Covid Safe Practices. However, if you prefer to bunker down and wait out this current covid wave before commencing, be assured the groups will be running when you choose to begin.

For more details contact us at the Centre on 52501301

KEEPING CONNECTED

Welcome to the 27th edition of Leopold BUZZ. You can view or download all issues of the newsletter on our website: www.leopoldcommunitycentre.com.au or email: info@leopoldcommunitycentre.com.au

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday 9.00 – 4.00

WHERE TO GET HELP

Power Saving Bonus – Last Chance!!

Neighbourhood Houses Victoria have partnered to help eligible community members apply for the State Government's one-off \$250 Power Saving Bonus

Applications for the Power Saving Bonus are made online; however, we understand that many people in our community either lack access to devices or internet or lack confidence and skills in using technology.

To be eligible you must:

- * Be a Victorian residential energy consumer (I.e., have a residential electricity account)
- * Receive one of the following concessions
 - * Centrelink Pension Concession Card
 - * Job Seeker, Youth Allowance, Abstudy Or Austudy
 - * Department of Veterans Affairs Pensioner Concession Card
 - * Department of Veterans Affairs Gold Card

The Power Saving Bonus closes on 31 January 2022

If you would like help in completing your Power Saving Bonus application, phone us at the Centre on 5250 1301 to make an appointment



Caring for Carers Program



The Leopold Community & Learning Centre recognises and respects the tremendous work that Carers do in our community. If you are a Carer, you are invited to attend the following Workshop run by Carers Victoria:

Relax and unwind Workshop

Wednesday, 9th February, 2022 10.00 a.m.

Location: Leopold Community & Learning Centre
Level 1, 31-39 Kensington Road, Leopold

All this is **Free of Charge**, made possible by the State Government's 'Supporting Carers Locally' Grants Program



Bookings are essential
Phone : 52 501 301



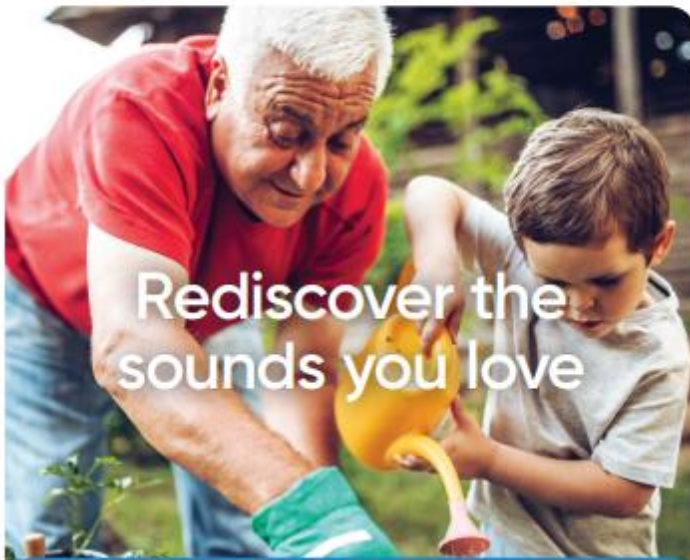
ADVENTURE WALKING GROUP

Our once-a-month Mystery Walk recommences on Monday, 28th February 2022 at. 9.30 a.m.

Includes bus ride, lunch and guided walk |

Cost: \$5.00 to join Club (for insurance purposes)

Secure your place now by phoning 52 501 301



Rediscover the sounds you love

Book a free* hearing check
LEOPOLD COMMUNITY AND LEARNING CENTRE

16 February 2022
10:30am – 12:30pm
Call 03 5250 1301

Phone us at the Centre for your 15-minute hearing check appointment on 52 501 301. Limited number of appointments available.

*Only 15-minute hearing checks are free. Other services may attract charges/fees or may be subsidised for those eligible under the Australian Government Hearing Services Program. A hearing check is a screening that helps identify people that may have hearing loss

LEOPOLD BOOMERANG BAGS are busy back at work sewing bags for the community.

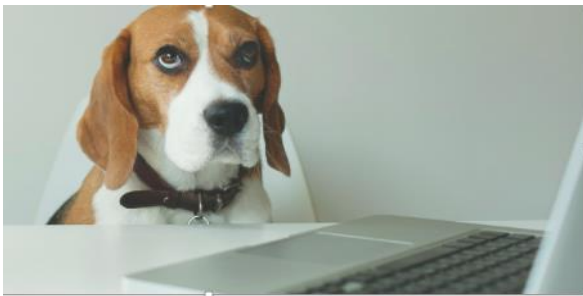
Dedicated volunteers get together on a Tuesday and Thursday to make re-useable bags using recycled materials as a means to provide a sustainable alternative to plastic bags.

Look out for a gift from Boomerang Bags Leopold in your letter box soon!!

If you are interested in helping distribute the bags around Leopold, contact the Centre on 52 501 301



HAVING TROUBLE WITH YOUR PHONE, TABLET OR LAPTOP?



Tristan is available Monday – Thursday
10.00 – 2.00 to help you troubleshoot any difficulties you may be having.

To book an appointment phone the Centre on
52501301. \$5.00 for 30-minute appointment

GENEALOGY

Genealogy is a fascinating activity requiring only a large dose of curiosity and some time. Mark will equip you with the tools and steps to discover your family history and ancestors.

The Genealogy Group meets on the first and third Monday of the month at 10.00 a.m.
Cost: \$5.00

For more details, contact us on 52 501 301



LEOPOLD COMMUNITY & LEARNING CENTRE
51-59 Kensington Road, Leopold

BEGINNER COMPUTER CLASSES



Wednesday
evenings
6.30 - 7.30

COST: \$60

**FOUR
WEEK
COURSE**

Taking Expressions of Interest -
Minimum of 6 per class

Steve will tailor the course to
suit the needs of beginners on
Windows 10

To register your interest phone
the Centre on 52501301

TRISTAN'S TECH TIPS

If you buy a new computer, chances are it will use Windows 11. A new operating system can be daunting, but luckily Windows 11 is a lot like Windows 10. For the past few weeks, I've been using 11 on my work laptop which I upgraded the operating system on from 10 to 11 and here are a couple observations I've made that you may find useful.

1. The Windows (start) button is now found in the middle of the task bar instead of the far left. Many times, decades of muscle memory have had me hover my mouse over empty space on the left rather than towards the middle.
2. No dedicated notification space – just click on the calendar on the far right to see notifications
3. Microsoft Edge Internet browser is good now – I didn't even bother installing Google Chrome I just imported my old passwords, installed an ad blocker, and changed it from using the Microsoft Bing search engine to Google and I was good to go!
4. When you right click on a file, less options show up – simply click on *more options* and it will show options identical to Windows 10
5. The symbols and thumbnails have all changed – some have simplified, some look more detailed. You may need to pay attention to what a symbol looks like, hover your cursor over it and it will tell you what it is called.
6. The shutdown button on the Windows (Start) button is now on the right instead of the left – this seems simple, but I've mis-clicked several times now

While there are many changes, it is rather straight forward and simple. This is a good thing because while some things being in a new place may trip you up – like it did me several times, you will absolutely get the hang of it eventually. Thankfully it's not ground up changes, but mostly cosmetic with the same bones Windows has had since the 1990's.

The best way to learn is to just explore, you won't break it just looking around.

Leopold Garden Club



Happy New Year to all Gardeners particularly those involved with the Leopold Community Centre Garden Club.

The club will have its first meeting of the year on the 17th of January. The meetings are held once a month on the 3rd Monday of the month with a charge of \$5.00/meeting payable at reception. I look forward to seeing any of the gardening community as all are welcome.

Just to outline what to expect this meeting beside good company and a cuppa:

*Why the tomatoes are not prolific and ripening.

*Why the fastest growing things in our vegetable gardens are Zucchini and other weeds.

*A range of information about flowers, and what's flowering, what to try and when.

*Did someone say Bearded Irises and free plants?

*A session on various herbs with a chance to extend your herb garden at no cost.

*Propagating strawberries

*Collecting and saving of seeds

All this and more. I look forward to the pleasure of your company at our next meeting.

Dimitrij Betz

Garden Club Co-ordinator